

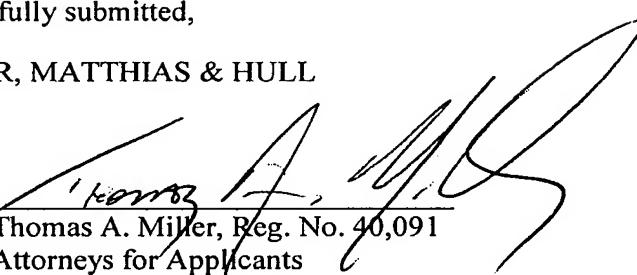
**REMARKS**

By the foregoing amendments, the specification has been revised to provide a cross-reference to the international application and appropriate headings. In addition, the claims and abstract have been amended to omit multiple dependencies and reference numerals to better conform to U.S. practice.

The filing fee has been calculated based on the claims as amended above. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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